

St. Hubert Parish - Diocese of Peoria



I SAY TO YOU
NOT SEVEN TIMES BUT
SEVENTY-SEVEN TIMES

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 13, 2026

St. Paul Catholic Church

309 W. Jackson St.
Macomb, IL 61455-2112
website: stpaulmacomb.com/church
Mass Times:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday	5:15 PM
Tuesday/Thursday	7:00 AM
Saturday	5:15 PM
Sunday	7:30 AM & 10:00 AM

Confessions (or by appointment):

Saturday	4:00–5:00 PM
Sunday	7:00–7:15 AM 9:30–9:45 AM

Rosary:

Sunday	2:00 PM
Monday/Wednesday/Friday	4:40 PM
Tuesday/Thursday	After Mass

Adoration:

Friday, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. All are welcome to participate.
The church is open from 6:30 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

Parish Office

309 W. Jackson St. Macomb, IL 61455
Phone: (309) 833-2496
Email address: churchoffice@stpaulmacomb.com

Parish Office Hours (CST)

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM–12:00 PM, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

319 N. Franklin St.
Rushville, IL 62681-0194
website: stroserushville.com
Mass Times:

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM
Wednesday	8:30 AM

Confessions:

Saturday	4:30–4:50 PM
Sunday	7:30–7:50 AM

Adoration: Wednesday at 8:00 AM before Mass at 8:30 AM
All are welcome to participate.

Parish Staff

Fr. Marc Nkulu, SMA, Pastor
Fr. Jules Agossou, Parochial Vicar
Sharon Hoffbeck, Business Manager
Jim Foxall, Parish Secretary

St. Paul

Deacon Larry Adams, Religious Education Coordinator
Laura Cody, Principal, St. Paul School
Mary K. Benda, Music Director

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday by Noon

St. Hubert Parish

Upcoming Events



St. Paul Church

Tuesday, September 15

8:30 AM Women in Faith.....Newman Center

Friday, September 18

6:00 AM That Man is You.....St. Paul

9:15 AM School Mass.....St. Paul

10:00 AM Adoration.....St. Paul

5:15 PM Mass.....St. Paul

St. Rose Church

Wednesday, September 16

8:00 AM Adoration/Mass.....St. Rose

St. Francis of Assisi Newman Center

Sunday, September 13

12:00 PM Mass.....Newman Center

Tuesday, September 15

5:00 PM Mass.....Newman Center

Thursday, September 17

5:00 PM Mass.....Newman Center

A Joyful Celebration: Thanksgiving Mass and Blessing of Our New Parish Hall

Dear Parishioners,

After many years of prayer, planning, generosity, and hard work, we are blessed to be approaching the completion of our new Parish Hall. This is truly a moment of thanksgiving for our entire parish family. I am pleased to announce that Bishop Louis Tylka will join us for a special Thanksgiving Mass, blessing, and official opening of our new Parish Hall on Sunday, October 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

This celebration will be an opportunity for all of us to give thanks to God for His many blessings and to celebrate the generosity and dedication of the many parishioners, families, volunteers, benefactors, and friends who have helped make this project possible.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this very special parish celebration. I especially encourage all parishioners to come and share in this joyful occasion. Let us come together as one parish family to say "Thank you, Lord!" for bringing us to this important milestone and to ask His blessing upon our new hall and upon all who will use it in the years to come. We look forward to celebrating this historic moment with all of you!

Sunday, October 25, 2026

10:00 AM-Thanksgiving Mass

Blessing and Official Opening of the Parish Hall

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Father Marc NKULU, SMA
Pastor

Our Stewardship

St. Hubert Parish

Fiscal YTD needed (7/1/26-9/6/26).....\$85,580.00

Offertory Received Fiscal YTD\$74,238.00

Offertory Needed Each Week\$8,558.00

St. Paul

Offertory (8/31/26-9/6/26)\$6,044.00

Online Giving\$4,514.00

Roof Fund\$80.00

Building Fund\$4,765.00

Cemetery Fund\$318.00

St. Rose

Offering.....\$760.00

Online Giving.....\$335.00

Online Giving

Online Giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. This also helps the parish streamline our cash flow, especially during bad weather or vacation times. Go to your parish website at <https://stroserushville.com> or <https://stpaulmacomb.com/church> to get started today. You can set up and manage your account at Online Giving at St. Hubert Parish:

<https://osvhub.com/sthubertmacomb/giving/funds>



Envelope Collection

Please make all checks payable to St. Hubert. If you have any questions, please ask the parish office.

Capital Campaign

Our Capital Campaign for the new parish hall is now underway. Prayerfully consider supporting this important project as we continue building for the future of our parish community. **Scan the QR code** below to learn more and make your pledge online.



Visit website to see progress:
<https://stpaulmacomb.com/church/our-family/parish-hall-progress/>

St. Paul Catholic Church - Macomb, Illinois

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 12 & 13, 2026

Gloria.....Mass of Wisdom, pew card
Mass.....Mass of Creation, #868
Entrance.....Sing to the Mountains, #585
Prep. of Gifts.....Prayer of St. Francis, #473
Communion.....Christians, Let Us Love One Another, #403
Recessional.....Open My Eyes, Lord, #418

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 12

5:15 PM † Dan Phelan

Sunday, September 13

7:30 AM † Patrick Stump
10:00 AM † Barbara Garthaus

Monday, September 14

5:15 PM † Jan Szyjka

Tuesday, September 15

7:00 AM † Dan Phelan

Wednesday, September 16

5:15 PM † Won Hurh

Thursday, September 17

7:00 AM † Landon Cromer

Friday, September 18

9:15 AM † Jerome Funke
5:15 PM † Paul Brauer

Saturday, September 19

5:15 PM † Deceased Members of Knights of
Columbus Council #682

Sunday, September 20

7:30 AM † John Gorman
10:00 AM † Stana Barden

Let Us Pray For

The Following Parishioners and Friends:

Joe Zaehring, Kevin Payne, Janelle Butzow, Kathleen Markey, Roger Baucom, Rosemary Mendenhall, Catherine Breckon, Diana Powell, Bob Scott, John Moore, Mary Harris, Rose Scheetz, Jim Zahndt, Maureen Maheu, Kay Winkel, Jacqueline Martin, Patricia Heap, John Lafferty, Rosemary Lynn, Monica Wolf, Ron Ruebush, Carol Goodin, Janet Gallagher, Becky Nichols, Fr. Bo Schmit, all those who are suffering & their caregivers.

Upcoming Birthdays

(for over 75 years of age)

September 12 Karen Culver
September 15 Frank Fulkerson

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, September 18

10:00 AM-5:00 PM
Benediction at 5:00 PM - St. Paul Chapel

St. Rose Catholic Church - Rushville, Illinois

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 12

5:00 PM † Juanita Tebbe

Sunday, September 13

8:00 AM † John Tebbe

Wednesday, September 16

8:30 AM † Patrick Johnson

Saturday, September 19

5:00 PM † Dorothy Hoffbeck

Sunday, September 20

8:00 AM † Luan Phillips

Lector Schedule

September Lectors

Saturday Linda Butler
Sunday Schuyler Isley

October Lectors

Saturday Ellen Ehrgott
Sunday John Sullivan

CCD at St. Rose

Our St. Rose CCD program continues to grow, and we need additional adult volunteers to help offer smaller age-group classes. CCD meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from **4:30-6:00 PM**, and volunteers may help regularly or occasionally with no year-long commitment required. Snack donations are also greatly appreciated!

To volunteer or register a child for CCD, please contact Bridget Phillips at **(815) 560-2521** or **Bridget.Phillips15@gmail.com**

Let Us Pray For

Let us keep ALL the sick in our thoughts and our prayers, especially:

Faye Henricks, Cathy Campbell Green, Markus Schneider, Diana Pleviak, Joanne Ballow, Eileen King

Upcoming Birthdays

September 15 Daniel Sullivan

Weekday Mass Reminder

Weekday Mass will be held on **Wednesday, September 16**, with Adoration at 8:00 AM, Mass at 8:30 AM, then Coffee Club at 9:00 AM.

"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive?"

Announcements & Events

Religious Education Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for St. Paul's 2026–2027 Religious Education program for Preschool (age 4) through 7th Grade. Classes meet Sundays from 8:45–9:45 AM at St. Paul School, beginning **Sept. 20**. The registration fee is \$35 per student, and forms are due by **Sept. 6**. Completed forms and payment may be returned to St. Paul Church.

Confirmation Registration for 2026–2027

Registration is now open for 8th and 9th grade students preparing for Confirmation. The registration fee is \$40 per student, and forms are due by **Sept. 6**. A required Candidate and Parent Meeting will be held **Sunday, Sept. 13**, from 6:00–7:30 PM in the church. Confirmation sessions begin Sept. 27, with families choosing either the 4:00–5:30 PM or 6:00–7:30 PM session.

Office Hours

The Parish Office will be CLOSED **Monday, Sept. 14** from 12:00–3:00 PM. Regular office hours will resume Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 8:00 AM–12:00 PM and 1:00–3:00 PM.

Celebrating 25 & 50 Years of Marriage

The Diocese of Peoria will celebrate its 2026 Diocesan 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Saturday, Nov. 7**, at 4:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception. Bishop Louis Tylka will celebrate the Mass and honor couples marking these special milestones.

St. Hubert couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2026 who would like to attend are asked to contact the Parish Office. Please contact us **by Sept. 28** so we can submit your information to the Diocese before the October 1 deadline.

St. Paul Choir

If you would like to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" (Ps 100:1) with our choir, please contact Terry Hostert at terry.hostert@gmail.com

That Man Is You (TMIY)

Meets **Fridays**, 6–7:30 am at St. Paul Church. Join other men growing in faith and becoming stronger Catholic husbands and fathers.

Gift Cards

Hy-Vee and Walmart gift cards are available for purchase in the parish office during regular hours, Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM. Please contact the parish office for delivery options including mailing. St. Paul Building Fund receives a portion of each gift card sold

Annual Diocesan Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has already participated in this year's Annual Diocesan Appeal.

This year's theme, "You Will Be My Witnesses," comes to life through ministries that change lives every day. From helping young men discern a vocation through Emmaus Days, to strengthening marriages and families, to serving those in need through Catholic Charities, your generosity makes Christ's love visible throughout our Diocese.

If you have not yet made your gift, we invite you to prayerfully consider participating today. Click on the QR code below:



Our parish is striving for 100% participation, and every dollar raised above our goal will be returned to our parish to help support the ongoing needs of both St. Paul & St. Rose.

Help Keep St. Rose Cool

The St. Rose Men's Group is seeking donations for a new air conditioner for the church. After more than 30 years, it's time for a replacement. To date, **\$2,000 has been donated** toward the total HVAC **cost of \$6,567.70**. Thank you to everyone who has generously contributed! To support this "cool cause," make your check payable to: **St. Hubert Parish – St. Rose Men's Group**, or use an envelope marked Men's Group. Place your donation in the collection or give it to Mark Thompson. Thank you, and may God bless all our donors for your generosity to our church.

Please Support Loaves & Fishes

Loaves & Fishes of McDonough County now assists an average of 524 families each month with grocery vouchers for those in need, including many seniors and children. As the need continues to grow, your support is more important than ever. Please use the QR code to make a secure online donation. Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting this vital community ministry.



Readings & Reflections

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Scripture Readings

For the Week of September 14

Monday Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Num 21:4b-9
Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a
Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
Jn 19:25-27

Wednesday Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 12:31-13:13
Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

1 Cor 15:1-11
Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28
Lk 7:36-50

Friday

1 Cor 15:12-20
Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, 15
Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49
Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14
Lk 8:4-15

Sunday Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9
Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a
Mt 20:1-16a

Treasures from our Tradition

Our national memory will keep September 11 holy for generations to come, as we remember the innocent dead. Our memories of the attack on our nation are intertwined with memories of how we human beings are natural symbol makers. In one parish, as a candlelight vigil ended, the assembly, without being instructed, took their candles and stood shoulder to shoulder, down the steps and along the city streets for a quarter mile. Slowly, people came out of their houses bearing tapers and candles. In the first hours of crisis, we stood vigil, we prayed from the heart, and we celebrated the human ability to draw light out of terrible darkness.

Stories of that terrible day necessarily drift to tales of heroism, courage, dignity, faith, solidarity, hope, community. The church learned long ago through hard experience that "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church."

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Treasures from our Tradition (continued)

Perhaps the victims of 9/11 have gifts to bring that we are only just discovering as believers in a just and loving God. They are teaching us still, and today is a day for lighting candles at the table and being silent for a moment before the abundance of God's gifts. Today reminds us that we are capable of acts of indescribable beauty even in the face of great evil.

—Rev. James Field

The Word in our Lives

The Cross of Forgiveness

Why should we forgive those who hurt us? This Sunday's Gospel gives us three reasons: First, because Jesus commands it. Second, because forgiveness is part of loving one another. And third, because we want to be forgiven for our sins.

Obviously, Jesus expects us to forgive one another. In this passage, he commands us to forgive without ceasing, without limit. That might be a challenge for even the most patient people. So, does forgiveness exclude tough love? Does it mean we should let someone hurt us again and again? No. It is possible to forgive someone and also prevent them from hurting us, if we do so with love (the second reason). For example, we can forgive an alcoholic relative but still insist that they seek help. We can forgive a son or daughter who breaks the law but still let them face the consequences so they learn from their mistake. We can forgive a friend who borrows money without paying it back and also refer them to a credit counselor instead of lending them more money. Since forgiveness is part of love, it is also part of tough love.

That leads to the third reason: we forgive because we want to be forgiven. Or more accurately, we forgive because we have been forgiven. Jesus already died for our sins. His resurrection shows us that the Father accepted the sacrifice of his Son Jesus for our sins. If we truly believe that Jesus rose again and that we will rise with him to eternal life despite our sins, how can we refuse to forgive someone who hurts us? When we promise to take up the cross each day and follow him, we must remember why Jesus took the cross and realize that we must forgive as he forgives. That's why the cross is such a powerful symbol. It asks us to accept suffering for Jesus' sake. It reminds us that sometimes the cross is simply about forgiving someone rather than hurting or hating them. If Jesus gave his life to forgive us, are we willing to spread that forgiveness far and wide?

—Tom Schmidt



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